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REMARKS

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1. During World War II, an improvised airfield, about 800 x 1,600 meters, had been established at Brand. At that time no hangars or other permanent buildings were available there. In January 1951, improvement work at the field was started by the Soviets.

2. The first construction stage between January and mid-November 1951 included the following constructions: a runway, 2,500 x 80 meters, the southern taxiway with dispersal areas, connecting lanes between runway and taxiway, a headquarters building, officers and EM quartering buildings, club house, kitchen, Finnish steam bath, and dispensary. The second construction stage which lasted until March 1953 included the following constructions: The northern taxiway with hardstands and aircraft revetments, EM quartering buildings, an ammunition dump, a hospital, a hangar, the flight control station, and several small buildings.

3. On 26 December 1951, the bomber regiment from Oranienburg arrived at Brand airfield. On 8 January 1953, the bomber regiment from Finsterwalde also transferred to Brand. In late June 1953, both regiments transferred to an undetermined place to the East. Since 4 August 1953, the field has been occupied by a fighter regiment from Alt Lohnewitz. Brand airfield is suitable for use by jet aircraft.

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